

production of aluminium has consistently increased over the last few years.

(b) Does not arise.

Cashewnut Cultivation

3444. SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have drawn up concrete plans to provide incentives to the concerned States for a rapid increase in the area under Cashewnut cultivation and also for increased productivity of this crop; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). For increasing the area and productivity of cashewnut, the potential States are assisted under Central Sector Integrated Programme for Development of Cashew with an outlay of Rs. 1.00 crores during 1991-92. Under the scheme for area expansion with clonal planting material, cashew farmers are provided subsidy of Rs. 3750/- per ha. in five annual instalments. Further, for popularising clonal cultivation among farmers demonstration plots of 0.4 ha. size are laid out and maintained by providing assistance of Rs. 2200/- per plot. A subsidy of Rs. 3000/- per ha. for farmers and Rs. 1500/- per ha. for Public Sector Cashew Corporations is provided for adoption of plant protection measures. Assistance is also provided to State

Governments to establish Centres for production and supply of clonal planting material to cashew growers.

Royalty Cess from Mine owners in Goa

3445. SHRI HARISH PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state the amount of Royalty paid and Cess collected from the mine owners in Goa during 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[Translation]

Supply of Seeds by National Seeds Corporation

3446. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state;

(a) the quantity of seeds demanded by each State from the National Seeds Corporation for the current Rabi season, crop-wise; and

(b) the quantity of seed supplied to each State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). A Statement is attached.